

*To the Congress of the United States:*

Pursuant to section 233(e)(1) of the Social Security Act (the "Act"), as amended by the Social Security Amendments of 1977 (Public Law 95-216, 42 U.S.C. 433(e)(1)), I transmit herewith the Second Supplementary Agreement Amending the Agreement Between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of Canada with Respect to Social Security (the Second Supplementary Agreement). The Second Supplementary Agreement, signed at Ottawa on May 28, 1996, is intended to modify certain provisions of the original United States-Canada Social Security Agreement signed at Ottawa March 11, 1981, which was amended once before by the Supplementary Agreement of May 10, 1983.

The United States-Canada Social Security Agreement is similar in objective to the social security agreements with Austria, Belgium, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Ireland, Italy, Luxembourg, The Netherlands, Norway, Portugal, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, and the United Kingdom. Such bilateral agreements provide for limited coordination between the U.S. and foreign social security systems to eliminate dual social security coverage and taxation, and to help prevent the loss of benefit protection that can occur when workers divide their careers between two countries.

The Second Supplementary Agreement provides Canada with a specific basis to enter into a mutual assistance arrangement with the United States. This enables each Governments' Social Security agency to assist the other in enhancing the administration of their respective foreign benefits programs. The Social Security Administration has benefited from a similar mutual assistance arrangement with the United Kingdom. The Second Supplementary Agreement will also make a number of minor revisions in the Agreement to take into account other changes in U.S. and Canadian law that have occurred in recent years.

The United States-Canada Social Security Agreement, as amended, would continue to contain all provisions mandated by section 233 and other provisions that I deem appropriate to carry out the provisions of section 233, pursuant to section 233(c)(4) of the Act.

I also transmit for the information of the Congress a report prepared by the Social Security Administration explaining the key points of the Second Supplementary Agreement, along with a paragraph-by-paragraph explanation of the effect of the amendments on the Agreement. Annexed to this report is the report required by section 233(e)(1) of the Act on the effect of the Agreement, as amended, on income and expenditures of the U.S. Social Security program and the number of individuals affected by the amended Agreement. The Department of State and the Social Security Administration have recommended the Second Supplementary

Agreement and related documents to me.

I commend the United States-Canada Second Supplementary Social Security Agreement and related documents.

WILLIAM J. CLINTON.

THE WHITE HOUSE, March 3, 1997.

The message, together with the accompanying papers, was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means and ordered to be printed (H. Doc. 105-49).

And then,

#### ¶15.9 ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Mr. WOLF, pursuant to the special order agreed to on February 27, 1997, at 2 o'clock and 30 minutes p.m., the House adjourned until 12:30 p.m. on Tuesday, March 4, 1997.

#### ¶15.10 PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 5 of rule X and clause 4 of rule XXII, public bills and resolutions were introduced and severally referred as follows:

By Mr. COX of California (for himself, Mr. RAHALL, Mr. ANDREWS, Mr. HALL of Texas, Mr. DELAY, Mr. LIVINGSTON, Mr. BLILEY, Mr. SOLOMON, Ms. MOLINARI, Mr. PITTS, Mr. LARGENT, Mr. MCCOLLUM, Mr. TALENT, Mr. BURTON of Indiana, Mr. BACHUS, Mr. BAKER, Mr. BARR of Georgia, Mr. BARTLETT of Maryland, Mr. BILBRAY, Mr. BONILLA, Mr. BONO, Mr. BRYANT, Mr. BUNNING of Kentucky, Mr. CALLAHAN, Mr. CALVERT, Mr. CANNON, Mr. CANDY of Florida, Mr. CHABOT, Mr. CHAMBLISS, Mrs. CHENOWETH, Mr. CHRISTENSEN, Mr. COBURN, Mr. COLLINS, Mr. COOK, Mr. COOKSEY, Mr. CRANE, Mr. CRAPO, Mrs. CUBIN, Mr. DEAL of Georgia, Mr. DOOLITTLE, Mr. DREIER, Mr. DUNCAN, Mr. EHRLICH, Mrs. EMERSON, Mr. FOLEY, Mr. FORBES, Mr. FOX of Pennsylvania, Mr. GALLEGLY, Mr. GIBBONS, Mr. GOODLING, Mr. GRAHAM, Ms. GRANGER, Mr. HASTINGS of Washington, Mr. HAYWORTH, Mr. HEFLEY, Mr. HERGER, Mr. HILL, Mr. HORN, Mr. HOSTETTLER, Mr. HULSHOF, Mr. HUNTER, Mr. HUTCHINSON, Mr. INGLIS of South Carolina, Mr. SAM JOHNSON, Mr. JONES, Mrs. KELLY, Mr. KIM, Mr. KING of New York, Mr. KINGSTON, Mr. KNOLLENBERG, Mr. KOLBE, Mr. LATOURETTE, Mr. LEWIS of Kentucky, Mr. LINDER, Mr. LUCAS of Oklahoma, Mr. MCCRERY, Mr. MCINTOSH, Mr. MCHUGH, Mr. MCKEON, Mr. MANZULLO, Mr. METCALF, Mr. MORAN of Kansas, Mrs. MYRICK, Mr. NORWOOD, Mr. PACKARD, Mr. PAPPAS, Mr. PARKER, Mr. PAUL, Mr. PEASE, Mr. POMBO, Mr. RIGGS, Mr. RILEY, Mr. ROGAN, Mr. ROHRBACHER, Mr. ROYCE, Mr. RYUN, Mr. SAXTON, Mr. SCARBOROUGH, Mr. BOB SCHAFER, Mr. SENSENBRENNER, Mr. SESSIONS, Mr. SHADEGG, Mr. SKEEN, Mr. SMITH of Texas, Mrs. LINDA SMITH of Washington, Mr. SMITH of Michigan, Mr. SMITH of Oregon, Mr. SNOWBARGER, Mr. STEARNS, Mr. STUMP, Mr. TAYLOR of North Carolina, Mr. WALSH, Mr. WATTS of Oklahoma, Mr. WELDON of Pennsylvania, Mr. WELDON of Florida, and Mr. YOUNG of Alaska):

H.R. 902. A bill to repeal the Federal estate and gift taxes and the tax on generation-skipping transfers; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. COBLE (for himself and Mr. GOODLATTE):

H.R. 903. A bill to amend title 28, United States Code, with respect to arbitration in U.S. district courts, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. FALEOMAVAEGA:

H.R. 904. A bill to amend the definition of State in the Federal Home Loan Bank Act to include American Samoa within the meaning of such term; to the Committee on Banking and Financial Services.

H.R. 905. A bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to provide that U.S. nationals should be eligible for advanced training in, and for financial assistance as members of, the Senior Reserve Officers' Training Corps; to the Committee on National Security.

By Mr. MCINTOSH (for himself, Mr. GOODLATTE, Mr. BACHUS, Mr. DAVIS of Virginia, Mr. FROST, Mr. BOUCHER, Mr. CONDIT, Mrs. MYRICK, Ms. LOFGREN, and Mr. MORAN of Virginia):

H.R. 906. A bill to provide for a reduced rate of postage for certain mailings that under Federal or State law, are required to be made by local governments; to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

By Mr. SANFORD (for himself, Mr. CLEMENT, Mr. LARGENT, Mr. BALLENGER, Mr. CALVERT, Mr. CAMPBELL, Mr. CHABOT, Mr. CHAMBLISS, Mr. COBURN, Mr. DEAL of Georgia, Mr. GRAHAM, Mr. HERGER, Mr. HILLEARY, Mr. HOEKSTRA, Mr. HOSTETTLER, Mr. ISTOOK, Mr. JONES, Mr. KINGSTON, Mr. KLUG, Mr. LATOURETTE, Mr. LUCAS of Oklahoma, Mr. MCINTOSH, Mr. MICA, Mrs. MYRICK, Mr. NEY, Mrs. NORTUP, Mr. NORWOOD, Mr. PICKERING, Mr. SALMON, Mr. SCARBOROUGH, Mr. SENSENBRENNER, Mr. SHADEGG, Mr. SOUDER, Mr. SPENCE, Mr. SPRATT, Mr. TAUZIN, Mr. TAYLOR of North Carolina, Mr. TAYLOR of Mississippi, Mr. THORNBERRY, Mr. WATKINS, Mr. WATTS of Oklahoma, and Mr. WHITFIELD):

H.R. 907. A bill to amend title 23, United States Code, to modify the minimum allocation formula under the Federal-aid highways program, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

By Mr. SHAW (for himself, Mr. MICA, Mr. BACHUS, Mr. HUNTER, Mr. WATTS of Oklahoma, Mr. TRAFICANT, Mr. FOLEY, Mrs. MYRICK, Mr. MCCOLLUM, Mr. ENGLISH of Pennsylvania, and Mr. LATOURETTE):

H.J. Res. 58. Joint resolution disapproving the certification of the President under section 490(b) of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 regarding foreign assistance for Mexico during fiscal year 1997; to the Committee on International Relations.

By Mr. ADERHOLT (for himself, Mr. RILEY, Mr. CANADY of Florida, and Mr. BARR of Georgia):

H. Con. Res. 31. Concurrent resolution expressing the sense of Congress regarding the display of the Ten Commandments by Judge Roy S. Moore, a judge on the circuit court of the State of Alabama; to the Committee on the Judiciary, and in addition to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

#### ¶15.11 ADDITIONAL SPONSORS

Under clause 4 of rule XXII, sponsors were added to public bills and resolutions as follows:

H.R. 8: Mr. RADANOVICH.

H.R. 108: Mr. DEFAZIO and Mr. LEWIS of Georgia.

H.R. 166: Mr. STUPAK.  
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 H.R. 367: Mr. TIAHRT and Mr. WATTS of Oklahoma.  
 H.R. 400: Mr. HINCHEY and Mr. LEWIS of Georgia.  
 H.R. 630: Mr. RADANOVICH and Mr. MARTINEZ.  
 H.R. 664: Mr. FROST and Mr. YATES.  
 H.R. 673: Mr. FRANK of Massachusetts and Mr. DELAHUNT.  
 H.R. 674: Mr. HILLEARY.  
 H.R. 680: Mr. FRANK of Massachusetts.  
 H.R. 727: Mr. BILBRAY.  
 H.R. 750: Mr. ACKERMAN, Mr. MATSUI, and Mr. PORTER.  
 H.R. 817: Mr. POMBO.  
 H.R. 882: Mr. LANTOS.  
 H. Con. Res. 18: Mr. BURTON of Indiana and Mr. YATES.

## TUESDAY, MARCH 4, 1997 (16)

### ¶16.1 DESIGNATION OF SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The House was called to order at 12:30 p.m. by the SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. EWING, who laid before the House the following communication:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,  
 Washington, DC, March 4, 1997.

I hereby designate the Honorable THOMAS W. EWING to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

NEWT GINGRICH,  
*Speaker of the House of Representatives.*

Whereupon, pursuant to the order of the House of Tuesday, January 21, 1997, Members were recognized for "morning-hour debate".

### ¶16.2 RECESS—12:58 P.M.

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. EWING, pursuant to clause 12 of rule I, declared the House in recess until 2 o'clock p.m.

### ¶16.3 AFTER RECESS—2 P.M.

The SPEAKER called the House to order.

### ¶16.4 APPROVAL OF THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER announced he had examined and approved the Journal of the proceedings of Monday, March 3, 1997.

Pursuant to clause 1, rule I, the Journal was approved.

### ¶16.5 COMMUNICATIONS

Executive and other communications, pursuant to clause 2, rule XXIV, were referred as follows:

2028. A letter from the Director, Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule—Thiazopyr: Pesticide Tolerances [OPP-300455; FRL-5591-5] (RIN: 2070-AB78) received February 27, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 810(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

2029. A letter from the Administrator, Food and Consumer Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—Food Assistance in Disaster and Distress Situations [Workplan Number 90-0001] (RIN: 0584-AB55) received February 27, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 810(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

2030. A letter from the Under Secretary of Defense, transmitting a report of a violation of the Anti-Deficiency Act—Air Force violation, case No. 95-16, which totaled \$172,121,

occurred in the fiscal year 1993 and fiscal year 1994 operation and maintenance, Air Force [O&M,AF] appropriations, pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 1517(b); to the Committee on Appropriations.

2031. A letter from the Director, Defense Procurement, Department of Defense transmitting the Department's final rule—Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement; Automatic Data Processing Equipment Leasing Costs [DFARS Case 96-D011] received February 27, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 810(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on National Security.

2032. A letter from the Director, Defense Procurement, Department of Defense, transmitting the Department's final rule—Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement; Earned Value Management System [DFARS Case 96-D024] received March 3, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 810(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on National Security.

2033. A letter from the Director, Office of Administration and Management, Department of Defense, transmitting the Department's final rule—Civilian Health and Medical Program of the Uniformed Services [CHAMPUS]; Program for Persons with Disabilities; Basic Program [DoD 6010.8-R] (RIN: 0720-AA32) received February 27, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 810(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on National Security.

2034. A letter from the Under Secretary of Defense, transmitting notification that the report to be submitted pursuant to 10 U.S.C. 115(a) will be submitted by April 30, 1997; to the Committee on National Security.

2035. A letter from the Assistant to the Board, Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, transmitting the Board's final rule—Membership of State Banking Institutions in the Federal Reserve System; Record-keeping and Confirmation of Certain Securities Transactions Effected by State Member Banks (Regulation H; Docket No. R-0909) received February 28, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Banking and Financial Services.

2036. A letter from the Secretary of Education, transmitting Final Regulations—Direct Grant Programs, pursuant to 20 U.S.C. 1232(f); to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

2037. A letter from the Assistant General Counsel for Regulations, Department of Education, transmitting the Department's report on the final regulations for direct grant programs, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(B); to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

2038. A letter from the Administrator, Energy Information Administration, Department of Energy, transmitting the Department's report entitled "Performance Profiles of Major Energy Producers 1995," pursuant to 42 U.S.C. 7267; to the Committee on Commerce.

2039. A letter from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting the fourth annual report to Congress on progress in achieving the performance goals referenced in the Prescription Drug User Fee Act of 1992 [PDUFA], for the fiscal year 1996, pursuant to 21 U.S.C. 379g, note; to the Committee on Commerce.

2040. A letter from the Director, Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule—National Primary Drinking Water Regulations: Analytical Methods for Radionuclides [WH-FRL-5689-9] (RIN: 2040-AC88) received February 27, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

2041. A letter from the Chairman, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting the report of the nondisclosure of safeguards information for the quarter ending December 31, 1996, pursuant to 42 U.S.C. 2167(d); to the Committee on Commerce.

2042. A letter from the Secretary, Securities and Exchange Commission, transmitting the Commission's "Major" final rule—Revision of Holding Period Requirements in Rules 144 and 145 [Release No. 33-7390; File No. S7-17-95] (RIN: 3235-AG53) received February 21, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

2043. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting a copy of Presidential Determination No. 97-17: Suspending Restrictions on U.S. Relations With the Palestine Liberation Organization, pursuant to Public Law 104-107, section 604(b)(1) (110 Stat. 756); to the Committee on International Relations.

2044. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting notification that effective February 10, 1997, the danger pay rate for the Great Lakes Region of Africa, including areas of Rwanda, Uganda, and Zaire, was designated at the 25 percent level, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 5928; to the Committee on International Relations.

2045. A letter from the Executive Director, Committee for Purchase From People Who Are Blind or Severely Disabled, transmitting the Committee's final rule—Additions to the Procurement List [97-007] received February 28, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

2046. A letter from the Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary for Public Affairs, Department of Defense, transmitting a report of activities under the Freedom of Information Act for the calendar year 1996, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552(e); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

2047. A letter from the Director, Division of Commissioned Personnel, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the annual report for the Public Health Service Commissioned Corps retirement system for fiscal year 1995, pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 9503(a)(1)(B); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

2048. A letter from the Director, Office of Administration, Executive Office of the President, transmitting the fiscal year 1996 annual report under the Federal Managers' Financial Integrity Act [FMFIA] of 1982, pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 3512(c)(3); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

2049. A letter from the Chairman and CEO, Farm Credit Administration, transmitting a report of activities under the Freedom of Information Act for the calendar year 1996, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552(e); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

2050. A letter from the Chairman, National Transportation Safety Board, transmitting a report of activities under the Freedom of Information Act for the calendar year 1996, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552; to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

2051. A letter from the Director, Office of Management and Budget, transmitting a report of activities under the Freedom of Information Act for the calendar year 1996, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552(e); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

2052. A letter from the Chairman, U.S. Merit Systems Protection Board, transmitting a report of activities under the Freedom of Information Act for the calendar year 1996, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552(e); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

2053. A letter from the Secretary of the Interior, transmitting the 1996 section 8 report on National Historic and Natural Landmarks that have been damaged or to which damage to their integrity is anticipated, pursuant to 16 U.S.C. 1a-5(a); to the Committee on Resources.

2054. A letter from the Secretary of the Interior, transmitting the Department's report